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## BANKS.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, 5,000,000 Dollars. Reserve Fund, 1,000,000 Dollars. COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman—F. D. SASSON, Esq. Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. R. BELLIOS, Esq. ADAM LIND, Esq. H. L. DALYMEAD, Esq. WILHELM KEINER, Esq. H. HOFFMANN, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. MANAGER. Shanghai, EDWIN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

### HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:— For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " " " " 12 " 5 " " " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, February 27, 1878.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES of Interest allowed on Deposits. At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per Annum.

" 6 " 4 " " " " " " 12 " 5 " " " " "

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Managing Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

### THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

### THE CITY BANK.

### NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS. On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits. For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " " " " 12 " 5 " " " " "

### THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON AND CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

CAPITAL, £750,000. RESERVE FUND, £161,660/10.

### THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

### THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.

RATES of Interest allowed on Fixed Deposits. For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 3 " " " " " " 12 " 4 " " " " "

Besides conducting general Exchange Business, the Bank discounts local bills, payable in Hongkong, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

Present Rate of Discount for approved short eight acceptance, 6 per annum.

Rates for Advances, according to terms required, may be ascertained on application.

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

#### EX LATE ARRIVALS.

CHUBB'S CASH AND DEED BOXES. RODGERS & SONS Celebrated CUTLERY.

MAPPIN BROS. GENTS' DRESSING CASES. WATERLOW'S & DE LA RUE'S STATIONERY.

BILLIARD CLOTHS, and BILLIARD CHALK. BILLIARD CUE CEMENT and TIPS.

TABLE GLASSWARE & CROCKERY. BRUSH-WARE of all kinds. ALBUMS.

NOVELS, SCHOOL BOOKS, PRESENTATION BOOKS, &c.

FINE KENT HOPS. MALT.

CARBOLIC ACID. CAUSTIC SODA. CHLORIDE OF LIME.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S CELEBRATED HOUSEHOLD STORES.

California SODA CRACKERS. Family PIG PORK in kegs.

Family MEAT BEEF in kegs. Compressed CORNED BEEF.

Compressed OX TONGUES. BARCELONA and PEA NUTS.

TEYSSONNEAU'S FRUITS, in BRANDY, NOYEAU, and JUICE.

French JAMS and JELLIES. "O. K." BOURBON WHISKEY.

(Bottled by L. A. & Co.) Bass's ALE, in pints and qts., bottled by Cameron and Saunders.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, in pints and qts., bottled by E. & J. Burke.

BARCLAY & PERKINS PORTER, in Kidderkins and Hids.

CLARET, in Cask. &c., &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO. Hongkong, July 19, 1878.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

### TUESDAY,

the 6th August, 1878, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

A Small Selection of CHINESE and JAPANESE CURIOS, the Property of a well-known Collector.

Consisting of: Old Porcelain Vases, Dishes, Plates, &c., &c. A fine selection of Chin-chew Ware, including some unique Specimens, Bronzes, Nitchkis, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole will be on view on and after Monday, the 5th August.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. Naval Store-keeper, to sell by Public Auction, on

### WEDNESDAY,

the 7th August, 1878, at 11 a.m., at H. M. Naval Yard,—

Sundry Condemned Naval and Victualling STORES, comprising—

Old Wrought Iron, Hoops, Glass, Rags, Boots, Biscuit Dust, Chocolate, Peas, Tobacco.

Flannel, Duck, Serge, Shoes. Library Books, Implements, etc., etc.

And, 1 Iron Lathe.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, at Noon, on

### TUESDAY,

the 20th of August next,—

All the VALUABLE LAND, HOUSES, &c., &c., situate at the Port of TAMSUI, FORMOSA, and known as the PAO-SHUN PROPERTY, in TWO LOTS.

Lot 1 Consisting of GODOWNS, DWELLING HOUSE, GARDENS, STABLING &c., &c.

Lot 2 a plot of UPLAND GROUND very suitable for building purposes.

For particulars of property, and terms of sale, apply to

ELLES & Co., Tamsoi.

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S RIDING WHIPS. CARBOLIC ACID, the best disinfectant.

PORCELAIN ICE PITCHERS. KEILLER'S DUNDEE MARMALADE.

FOSTER'S Bottled ALE and STOUT. VEXON'S CAPTIVITIES.

CURRIER and ADER'S CLARETS. Bass's ALE and GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by Foster.

French JAMS. Scotch OATMEAL. FOSTER'S Bottled ALE and STOUT.

VEGETABLE, FLOWER and LAWN-GRASS SEED. TEA TASTER'S CUPS, POTS, SCALES, and TIME GLASSES.

FOSTER'S Bottled ALE and STOUT. French SUMMER SHOES.

CHRISTY'S HATS. Bass's ALE and GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by Foster.

PEAR'S TOILET SOAP. English HAMS. FOSTER'S Bottled ALE and STOUT.

SPARKLING BURGUNDY. CHOICE PORT for Invalids.

FOSTER'S Bottled ALE and STOUT. CURACAO, MARASCHINO, and CHARTREUSE.

HENDRIE'S PERFUMERY. Bass's ALE, by Foster, highly recommended for purity, and the extreme Care used in Bottling.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, July 17, 1878.

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 15th day of August next, at THREE O'CLOCK p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Reports of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1878.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 3rd, to THURSDAY, the 15th August next (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

### CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT LOAN OF 1877.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the DEFINITIVE BONDS of the above LOAN are now Ready, and can be obtained at the Office of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Exchange for the Provisional Certificates issued in Hongkong.

All BONDS not applied for before 31st of August next, will be Returned to the London Office of the Corporation, where they can be had on Application.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

### CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the Year ending 31st December, 1877, in order that the distribution of the Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged.

Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, July 12, 1878.

### HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the Year ending 31st December, 1877, in order that the distribution of the Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged.

Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S RIDING WHIPS. CARBOLIC ACID, the best disinfectant.

PORCELAIN ICE PITCHERS. KEILLER'S DUNDEE MARMALADE.

FOSTER'S Bottled ALE and STOUT. VEXON'S CAPTIVITIES.

CURRIER and ADER'S CLARETS. Bass's ALE and GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by Foster.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, July 17, 1878.

## Intimations.

### CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged.

Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

### CAPE D'AGUILAR LIGHT-HOUSE.

WANTED.

THIRD LIGHT-HOUSE KEEPER. Salary Forty Dollars a Month. Candidates should send their Names to the COLONIAL SECRETARY before the 15th of August, giving particulars of Age and previous Services, together with Testimonials.

A knowledge of Chinese Colloquial is desirable. Further particulars can be obtained upon application to the Harbour Master.

By Command, J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

### THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President. J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President. SAMUEL BORROWER, Secretary. A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE, 120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets, \$31,700,000. Surplus, \$5,500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to Accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars, apply to

OLYPHANT & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

### KELLY & WALSH'S CELEBRATED TOBACCOES.

Packed specially for this Climate.

BRANDS. Smoking Mixture. Mild Strength. Happy Thought. Medium Strength. Dollar Brand. Full Strength.

The above-named Tobaccoes are cut and packed under our own supervision from the stock received fresh each month from the manufacturers.

AGENTS. HONGKONG:—Messrs. LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. AMOY:—Messrs. MOORE & Co. POOCHOW:—Messrs. HEDER & Co. SWATOW:—Messrs. CAMPBELL & Co. CHEFOO:—Messrs. H. SUTTS & Co. TIENTSIN:—Messrs. G. W. COLLINS & Co. NEWCHANG:—Messrs. F. A. SCHULTZ & Co.

KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

KELLY & Co., Yokohama.

## Intimations.

### HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, Club Chambers, on TUESDAY, August 20th, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors, and a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1878.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 20th August, both days included.

By Order of the Board, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 29, 1878.

## BANK HOLIDAY.

IN Accordance with ORDINANCE No. 6 of 1875, the undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED on MONDAY, the 5th Instant.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. CROMBIE, Actg. Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," H. H. NELSON, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.," R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, August 2, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Undersigned have been temporarily REMOVED to the Premises in DUDDELL STREET, formerly occupied by Messrs. NORTON & Co.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, July 15, 1878.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "YESSO," Capt. S. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 4th Inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Steamer "PARAGUA," GIL, Master, will be despatched as above on MONDAY Next, the 5th Instant, at 3 p.m.



## To Let.

TO BE LET.  
TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED  
GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 11,  
Praya Central.  
Apply to  
TURNER & Co.  
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
A THREE-STORY DWELLING  
HOUSE, No. 113, Queen's Road  
East (Spring Gardens). Water laid on.  
Apply to  
D. NOWROJEE,  
HONGKONG HOTEL.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers,  
THE BUNGALOW, No. 24, Gage St.  
Apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, July 12, 1878.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,  
formerly known as the Blue Houses,  
situate on Praya East.  
HOUSE No. 2, Praya East. The basement,  
together with First Floor, or separate if desired,  
with possession on the 1st July.  
HOUSE No. 3, Praya East. The whole  
House or in Plats, with possession on the 1st of August.

As also,  
The DWELLING HOUSE to the Eastward  
of Pier at Wanchoi. May be had as an  
entire Dwelling or in Apartments of two  
or three Rooms to suit convenience, with  
immediate possession. Fine spacious Ver-  
andah looking on to Harbour.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,  
attached to Blue Houses at Wanchoi,  
MARINE LOT 65.  
For particulars, apply to  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, June 21, 1878.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central,  
with Godowns attached.  
Houses No. 4, and 9, Seymour Terrace.  
DAVID SASSOON, SON & Co.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

## For Sale.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS REFINERY MANUFACTURES

LOAF SUGAR, (in 5, 10, and 15 lbs.  
Loaves.)  
OUT LOAF SUGAR.  
CUBE SUGAR (Lyle's Patent).  
CRYSTALLIZED SUGAR, mark C. S. R.  
(in diamond) 4 1/2 lbs.  
Fine WHITE SUGAR, mark C. S. R.  
(in diamond) 4 1/2 lbs.  
Medium WHITE SUGAR, mark C. S. R.  
(in diamond) 4 1/2 lbs.  
FINE YELLOW SUGAR, mark C. S. R.  
(in diamond) 4 1/2 lbs.  
COFFEE SUGAR, mark C. S. R.  
(in diamond) 4 1/2 lbs.  
GOLDEN SYRUP, SYRUP, and  
MOLASSES.  
SPIRITS OF WINE and LAMP SPIRIT.  
RUM, 45°, 50°, O. P., and Naval.  
ANIMAL CHARCOAL and DUST.  
AMMONIACAL LIQUOR, from Bones.  
BONE TAR (a preventive of white ants.)  
ROUGH BONE TALLOW.

Packed in Quantities and Packages to suit  
Customers.

Particulars and Prices on application to  
THE MANAGER,  
CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED,  
East Point,  
Hongkong.  
March 5, 1878.

## For Sale.

COKE and TAR in Quantities to suit  
Purchasers, at CHEAP RATES.

Apply to  
GAS COMPANY,  
West Point.  
Hongkong, June 10, 1878.

## For Sale.

FOR SALE.  
TWO AMERICAN and One ENGLISH  
Second-hand BILLIARD TABLES,  
with BALLS, CUES, LAMPS, &c., Complete.  
Apply to  
D. NOWROJEE,  
HONGKONG HOTEL.  
Hongkong, July 11, 1878.

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A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE  
CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I.  
and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal  
8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITZ,  
Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS  
AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD  
& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs  
KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

## W. BALL.

## CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,  
DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET  
REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-  
CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,  
and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,  
Near the Canton Consulate's Wharf,  
Hongkong, July 12, 1878.

## Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-  
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
CENTRAL  
and  
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING  
RAILROAD COMPANIES  
and  
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-  
parted for San Francisco via Yokohama,  
on TUESDAY, the 6th August, at  
3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for  
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 p.m. of the 5th August. PARCEL  
PACKAGES will be received at the Office  
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

A Reduction is made on RETURN Pas-  
sage Tickets.

For further information as to Freight  
on Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.  
Hongkong, July 17, 1878.



STEAM FOR  
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,  
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,  
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean  
Ports, Southampton, and  
London direct.

Also,  
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
SURAT, Captain G. O. BURNES, will  
leave this on SATURDAY, the 10th  
August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. LIND, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, July 20, 1878.

## Insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of  
China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Saidon and Penang.  
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored thereon,  
on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of  
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms  
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against Fire to the extent of  
£25,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-  
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents in Hongkong for the above-  
named Company, is prepared to Grant  
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and  
on Goods to the extent of £10,000, at the  
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-  
count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable  
reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in  
China.

J. Y. VERNON SHAW,  
Hongkong, June 1, 1878.

## Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, and  
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong  
for the above Company, are prepared  
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the  
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or  
on Merchandise in the same, at the  
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20  
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE  
COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of  
His Majesty King George The First,  
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at  
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER  
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors.

KWOK ACHONG, Merchant.

PANG YIM, Merchant.

HO SAM, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.

LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.

LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.

CHANG SING YEONG, Merchant.

OHY CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on  
Buildings and on Goods stored  
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, Nos. 8 and 9, Praya West.  
Hongkong, August 23, 1877.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-  
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up—£12,420,000

PERMANENT RESERVE—£250,000

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND—£104,000

Total Capital and accumula-  
tions this date—£12,764,000

Directors:

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

M. P. EVANS, Esq., O. LUCAS, Esq.,

C. KREBS, Esq., W. MEYERINK, Esq.

Secretaries:

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.

Messrs. BARKING BROTHERS & Co.

Agencies in:

HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and  
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to  
all parts of the World, at current  
rates.

Subject to a charge of 12% for interest  
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS  
OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be  
annually distributed among all Contributors  
of Business in proportion to the  
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 10, 1879.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on  
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.  
In accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits  
are distributed annually to Contributors,  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premiums contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, April 27, 1879.

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

MR. CHARLES J. HIRST has been  
authorized to Sign our Firm per  
Procuration.

HESSE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 23, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.  
EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our  
Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on  
the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.  
China, March 8, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.  
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm  
CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.  
Hongkong, June 13, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the  
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail,  
華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po),  
CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but  
Debts prior to that Date will be received  
and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-  
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail  
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged  
the services of Mr. LEONG YOOK CHUN,  
as Translator and General Manager of the  
newspaper, which under its new régime  
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-  
cellent medium for advertising, especially  
as the Manager is able to devote his whole  
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM.

Lecturer of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## Intimations.

## NOTICE.

MR. H. SCHÜREN'S PHOTOGRAPHIC  
STUDIO.

IS NOW OPEN.

HOURS FOR SITTING: EVERY DAY FROM  
7 TILL 10 O'CLOCK A.M.

MR. H. SCHÜREN respectfully requests  
all Persons desirous to have their  
Portraits, to notices well the earlier hours  
for sitting, as the only means to obtain,  
during the present Season, those fine half  
tints and details so much admired, espe-  
cially in White Dresses. Photos taken after  
10 o'clock a.m. cannot be guaranteed to be  
to every satisfaction.

The Atelier cannot be Open for more  
than Two Months.

## NOVELTY.

MR. H. SCHÜREN'S NEW SALOON  
PICTURES.

THE FINEST PRESENTS TO BE CHOSEN.

No Really Elegant Drawing Room should  
be without them.

MR. SCHÜREN has much pleasure in  
introducing in this Colony, the new  
Style of Photos which undoubtedly will  
find admirers amongst the intelligent.  
The new Saloon Picture is unrivalled for  
its effects in artistic lightening, and its  
beautiful details, especially for Lady's  
EVENING DRESSES and every kind of Em-  
bellished and PLAIN WHITE DRESSES.  
Hongkong, July 19, 1878.

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE  
Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100  
characters, and one cent a character  
beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and  
half price for repetitions during the first  
week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will  
be charged only one half the amount of the  
first week's charge. Advertisements for  
half a year and longer will be allowed a  
deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount,  
and contracts for more favourable terms  
can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish  
Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all  
the ports and in the interior of China, all  
the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore,  
Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the  
Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru  
and other places which Chinese frequent.  
When the list of Agencies is completed,  
it will be published. Agents have been  
already established in most of the above  
places, and in important ports more than  
one agent has been appointed at each.

Hongkong, February 22, 1874.

## NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

A FIFTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at  
the Rate of TWO AND ONE-HALF  
TAELS per SHARE will be made to  
Shareholders of Record on 6th July, Pay-  
able at the Office of the Liquidators, on  
MONDAY, the 16th July.

Warrants will then be delivered by the  
Undersigned to Shareholders, or their  
lawful representatives, on presentation of  
Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 16th  
July, inclusive.

By Order,  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Liquidators.

Shanghai, July 4, 1878.

## Intimations.

## CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC!

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE.

WHEREAS it having become known to  
the Proprietors of DR. BRIGHT'S  
PHOSPHODYNE that a Medicine, emanating  
from an unscrupulous London firm, is ex-  
ported to India and China, and foisted on  
purchasers as equal in efficacy to Dr. Bright's  
Phosphodyne, they feel it due to the public  
to specially caution them against this com-  
pound and request their most careful atten-  
tion to the following distinctive charac-  
teristics of Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne.

1st.—That Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne is  
sold only in cases.

2nd.—The words "Dr. Bright's Phospho-  
dyne" are clearly blown in each bottle.

3rd.—The Registered Trade Mark and  
Signature of Patentee are printed on  
the label of every case.

4th.—Directions for use in all the follow-  
ing languages are enclosed in each  
case, without which none can POS-  
SIBLY be genuine.

English, French, German, Italian, Dutch,  
Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Danish,  
Turkish, Persian, Hindostani, Madrasse,  
Bengalee, Chinese and Japanese.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE  
Is the Only Available Remedy for  
Nervous and Liver Complaints  
AND ALL  
Functional Derangements.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is  
patronised by the aristocracy and the elite,  
extensively used in the army and navy,  
and strongly recommended by the leading  
Medical Practitioners.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE  
Is sold by all Chemists and Patent  
Medicine Vendors throughout the Globe.

N.B.—Ask for DR. BRIGHT'S PHOS-  
PHODYNE, and do not be persuaded to  
take any useless and possibly dangerous  
SUBSTITUTES.

## SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or  
PAPERS will be thankfully received  
at the Sailor's Home, West Point.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

Volume Sixth of the  
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 6—Vol. VI.

OF THE

## "CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—  
Tabular View of the Officials composing  
the Chinese Provincial Governments.  
Imperial Confucianism.  
Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.  
Chinese Allegory.  
The Concise Dictionary of Chinese.  
The Korean Language.

It Taz Kwei 弟子規 Rules for Sons  
and Younger Brothers.  
Short Notices of New Books and Literary  
Intelligence.  
Notes and Queries:—  
In Memoriam.  
Verses Yau and Shun Historical  
Persons?  
Whirlwind at Canton.  
Zoology.  
Arrata.  
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,  
Hongkong, July 9, 1878.

## AFONG,

## PHOTOGRAPHER,

By appointment, to  
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,  
H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER,  
and to  
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS  
OF RUSSIA.

THE above has pleasure to inform the  
public of Hongkong that he has ob-  
tained the assistance of Mr. Griffith (for  
many years manager and principal operator  
to Mr. Saunders of Shanghai), and having  
carefully arranged the light of his New  
Studio and secured the newest and best  
appliances for obtaining the highest excel-  
lence in his work, he is now ready to pro-  
duce all the Latest Novelties in Photo-  
graphic Portraiture.—A large and varied  
Assortment of Views always ready. Superior  
Enlargements made by shortest notice.

STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,  
Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel.  
Hongkong, July 9, 1878.

## NOTICE.

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's  
day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese  
Mail will be issued DAILY instead of  
twice a week as heretofore. No change, how-  
ever, will be made in the price of subscrip-  
tion, which will remain at \$4 per annum.  
The charges for advertisements are now  
assimilated to those of the Chinese Mail.  
The annual success which has attended  
the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable  
medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual  
circulation of one thousand copies. It is  
already the most influential native journal  
published, and enjoys considerable prestige  
at the Ports of China and Japan, and at  
Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Fran-  
cisco and Australia.

China Mail Office,  
17th February, 1874.

## Intimations.

A NEW STOCK OF  
NEXT JOBBING TYPES  
HAVING BEEN RECEIVED

FROM ENGLAND,

THIS OFFICE IS PREPARED TO  
EXECUTE

BOOK & JOB PRINTING  
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION  
AT REASONABLE RATES.

FANCY BALL PROGRAMMES  
ASSORTED SIZES, IN GOLD AND COLOURS.

BALL PENCILS,  
assorted colours.

MENU CARDS,  
In Gold & Coloured Borders & Patterns.



fortably large. A few days ago a house in Wyndham Street was cleared of nearly every valuable article that could be easily carried off, and last night the western house of Westbourne Villas was deftly and noiselessly entered by the front verandah, the thieves getting up by means of a rope. In this case also nothing is known, and, as is now usual, nothing will likely be ever learnt of the rascals. We appear to be drifting into the time when the morning salutation was wont to be, "Who was robbed last night?" and it looks, however paradoxical it may appear, as if the convictions now are rarer than they were when the Police Force was regarded as rotten to the core. How can this be explained?

## INQUESTS.

An inquest was held to-day at the Government Civil Hospital before the Coroner (C. V. Crough, Esq.), on the body of a youth named Edward Connell, who was an ordinary seaman on board the British barge *Frederick*, and who was killed by falling from aloft. The following gentlemen comprised the jury:—Messrs J. M. Guedes, Jr., T. H. Vale, and F. Specht. Dr. Von der Horck certified to the cause of death, which he said was due to a severe confusion on the head, neck and right arm. The skin on the occiput was laid open to the bone and blood was issuing from the ears, nose, and mouth. There was a severe dislocation of several vertebrae of the spinal column. The right arm was dislocated in four places. The legs were perfectly rigid, and the skin was of a bluish colour.

Thomas Evans, the chief officer of the *Frederick*, said the deceased was shipped last Thursday. On Friday morning about 11 o'clock he was sent aloft with a tackle which he was to make fast round the royal-mast head. When he had got up as far as the cross-trees, one of the men who was on the top-gallant yard called out that the line was foul, and came down from the yard to help to clear it. The deceased was in the act of hauling the block and line to the man when he lost his balance and fell into a ballast lighter which was lying alongside the ship. Witness went to deceased, who was lying insensible, with his right shoulder under his back. He was at once removed to the Police Hulk, and from thence to the Hospital.

By Inspector Grimes:—The deceased was seventeen years of age. It was part of his duty, to go aloft, and do such work as he was engaged in at the time of the accident.

Charles Bishop, an able seaman on board the same vessel, corroborated the mate's statement. In answer to Inspector Grimes, witness said that deceased was well liked by everybody at the Sailors' Home, and also on board the ship.

A lad said he knew the deceased very well. The only relation he had living was a sister, who resided at No. 45, Mark Street, Liverpool.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Inquests were also held on the bodies of two prisoners named Chan Akwai and Yung Akum, who died in the Gaol. Captain Dempster having produced the Gaol register showing their prison history, and Dr. Ayres having testified as to the cause of death, the jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

## Police Intelligence.

(Before C. V. Crough, Esq.)  
August 3rd, 1878.

**THE CHAIR COOLIE NUISANCE.**  
The bearers of licensed chairs Nos. 76, 96, 106, 141 and 575, were charged with carelessly carrying their chairs to the danger of persons in the streets. Indian Constable No. 531 said that about 7 to 8 o'clock on the 31st ultimo, a European gentleman entered the Queen's Road from Wyndham Street. He did not require a chair, but the defendants all rushed in front of him and obstructed his way. The Constable warned them, but all to no purpose. Defendants denied the charge, and were fined 25 cents each. The times were all paid.

## MORE ABOUT CHAIR COOLIES.

Ng Awan and Ng Anai, chair-coolies, were charged with playing for hire without a license, and fined \$5 or 14 days' imprisonment.

**SMUGGLING TOBACCO INTO THE GAOL.**  
Li Alai, a cook unemployed, was charged with the above offence. It appears that he had lately come out of gaol, and to-day he was employed by the commissary to assist in carrying the daily supply of firewood into the gaol. He was detected by Peter Harris, one of the gaol guards; in the act of passing on a packet of tobacco to one of the prisoners. The prisoner, seeing the guard looking at him, refused to take it, and the packet was dropped on the ground. Defendant denied that he was attempting to pass the tobacco to the prisoner. He was merely standing at the gaol door when the guard arrested him. Defendant was sent to 2 weeks' hard labour, in default of a fine of \$10.

## DRUNKENNESS.

Dugald McFarlane, seaman, H. M. S. *Victor Emanuel*, was fined 25 cents for the above offence.

## SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER.

Leung Ahnau, a coolie, was fined half a dollar for being a suspicious character. He was detected by Mr. Driscoll's servant opening the back door of the house. There is fortunately a bell attached and the servant's attention was thus directed to the door. The servant said he had frequently heard the bell ring in the same manner and no one enter.

## ALLEGED ASSAULT.

The summons against Inspector McEhney for assaulting a shop coolie was called on to-day, but the complainant begged to withdraw the summons. Dismissed accordingly.

## OBSTRUCTION.

Sun A Ng, a barber, was fined 50 cents or 8 days' imprisonment for obstructing the foot-path at Faye Central by placing his barber's stall there.

## Marine Court.

(Before J. P. McEuen, Esq., Acting Harbour Master.)  
August 3, 1878.

## ALLEGED ILLEGAL DISCHARGE OF A MATE.

Richard M. Ferguson, master of the British ship *Berrie Baylow*, was summoned at the instance of Henry Philip Clark, 2nd mate of the same vessel, for forcing him on shore without discharging him at the Mercantile Marine Office, contrary to Sec. xvii. of Ord. No. 1 of 1862. From the complainant's evidence it would appear that he had had a few words with the Captain, and therefore wanted his discharge. This the Captain refused, but a few minutes later offered him \$50 to go on shore. The next day the Captain said he did not require complainant's services any longer, and shortly afterwards gave him \$50. Complainant came on shore, and the next day (Friday) he returned on board for his clothes. The Captain then told him that he would not discharge him, but that if he liked to go on shore he could. Complainant found that he could not get another ship unless he had a discharge.

Frank Perry, the boatswain, and the Cook both said they heard the Captain offer the 2nd mate \$50 to go on shore.

Louis Brown, the carpenter, said the Captain gave the complainant the \$50 as liberty money.

Defendant stated that he gave the complainant the \$50 as liberty money, and it was agreed that a man should be employed in complainant's place whilst he was absent, at his (complainant's) expense. The complainant had offered to accept two-thirds of his pay as payment in full if defendant would grant his discharge.

His Worship cautioned the defendant, and dismissed the case.

## TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams are out from Indian papers:—

London, July 11.—Colonel Stanley, in the House of Commons, said that the number of troops to occupy Cyprus will be 10,000, consisting of the Indian contingent from Malta and three British battalions.

London, July 15.—Sir Garnet Wolsley and Colonel Brackenbury's Staff, have started for Cyprus.

A special telegram of the *Daily News* states that the stay of the Indian troops in Cyprus will be only temporary, and that it is intended to keep only a small permanent garrison of British troops in the island, who will be assisted by a local militia which is to be formed.

Bucharest, July 15.—The Roumanian Government has accepted the Dobruzaeha fort Bessarabia.

Constantinople, July 15.—The insurrectionary movement in the Rhodope Mountains has collapsed.

London, July 16.—The following is a summary of the Treaty to be presented to Parliament, which was signed at Berlin on Saturday last. The Treaty contains 64 articles, and provides for Provisional Russian administration and Russian occupation of Bulgaria by 50,000 men, the same to terminate in nine months. As regards the Bulgarian fortresses, they are to be razed to the ground in one year. A European Commission will organise Eastern Roumelia. Austria will occupy and administer Bosnia and Herzegovina, but the term of occupation is not fixed. Roumania, Serbia, and Montenegro obtain independence, the tribute payable to the Porte being capitalized. Serbia, Montenegro and Bulgaria pay a quota of the Turkish debt. The Porte engages strictly to apply to Crete the constitutional law of 1868, and the fullest religious liberty is granted everywhere. With respect to Armenia the Porte cedes with Batoum, Kars, and Ardahan territory between the former and the Russo-Turkish frontier and a curved line drawn from Akrales on the Black Sea, including Olti, Bardus, and Kajisman, to Russo-Turkish frontier, excluding Bayazid and the Alshager Valley. The treaties of 1850 and 1871 to be maintained, except where the Berlin treaty modifies them.

Bombay, July 16.—The Congress held four sittings during the week. The only question agreed upon was that of Bulgaria, which is to be divided into two portions separated by the Balkans, southern portion to be named East Roumelia. The latest information states that Prince Rismarek has proposed the Prince Charles of Roumelia as the future Sovereign of Bulgaria. Prince Gotschaloff retires from the Congress, the chief conduct of Russian affairs falling on Count Schouvaloff.

Charles Marvin, clerk of the treaty department, is being prosecuted by the Treasury for stealing and copying the Anglo-Russian agreement published by the *Globe*. The proofs are strong against him, nevertheless there are extraordinary conflicting reports concerning Count Schouvaloff's connection with the matter.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 3rd Aug, 1878.

Sir,—Without attempting to mince matters, permit me to express an opinion very generally held by residents who have passed some years in this Colony, and who have consequently had opportunities of watching the career of the valued Government servant the Colony is about to lose. Since the arrival of Mr. Pope Hennessy the community have witnessed examples of what is called "muzzling" in various forms, directed principally against Mr. O. C. Smith, with the apparent intention of lowering him in the eyes of the community. Of course H. E. may have had well-founded reason for so doing, and Mr. Smith may have to thank the Governor for his move to the Straits. The rebuffs referred to culminated in the appointment of one as Colonial Secretary, who, however excellently qualified for other duties, was without a day's experience; and this in spite of the just claims of Mr. Smith, not only from his exceptional knowledge of Chinese but from his services as Colonial Secretary to the credit of the Colony and to the high satisfaction of a Governor of mature experience. The infallibility element would now seem to be the surest ground to build upon for promotion. But one thing is certain that the loss the Colony sustains is generally believed to be caused by the action of the Governor, whose pronounced preference for other officials and advisers has brought about the promotion in question.

Yours truly

"It's An Old Thespian."

Don't cry for spilt milk, young man, but pick up your pen and milking stool and go for the next row, my fellow Britons.

## "FOOLS RUSH IN WHERE ANGELS FEAR TO TREAD."

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 1st August 1878.

The "China Mail" is certainly complaisant towards its correspondents, when room can be found in its columns for such wretched stuff as the two communications, indirectly referring to Dr. Silvester's entertainment, which appeared in to-night's issue. The signatures attached to these charming billets clearly indicate the feeble minds of the writers.

Although I am referred to somewhat offensively in the ungrammatical tirade of the gentleman who mistakes his blatant vulgarity for polished wit, I cannot bring myself low enough to meet him on fair terms, even in my own defence. I would, however, suggest to your misguided contributors that a few hours' study of the grammatical requirements of the English language is absolutely necessary before he can make anything approaching a decent appearance in the columns of a public newspaper. Such expressions as "there has been many with wiser heads" and "the good houses he draws every night be entertaining," would bring the blush of shame to the cheek of any schoolboy acquainted with his letters. I could multiply instances of this would-be journalist's gross illiterateness, but any further exposure would serve no useful end; and although I cannot approve of his reckless rush into print (and notoriety), I am too soft-hearted not to sympathise with the unfortunate whose ignorance may possibly be his misfortune and not his fault.

Your other correspondent would do well to repress his effusion; and after correcting the offences against Lindley Murray, he might condescend to tell us what his wishes are to infer from a confused jumble of meaningless sentences, and his obscure references to Joe Miller, the Penny Magazine, the Saturday Magazine, the illustration "there was in them," sword swallowers, mesmerism and electro-biology. On reconsideration, Mr. Editor, it will be perhaps as well if he explains nothing at all, as a second dose of this frothy member's grim wit would result fatally.

And now, Sir, I am prepared to break a lance with you on the question which aroused this controversy.

An editorial note in Wednesday night's *Mail*, in which you inform a correspondent "that the Hongkong community are not entirely given over to a belief in mesmerism," must be my text on this occasion. To-hark back a little, this facetiously sarcastic display of scientific knowledge is elicited by your correspondent's having taken exception to your description of a certain trick performed by Dr. Silvester and his daughter in their entertainments at the City Hall, in which you state that the young lady seemed to succumb to the mesmerism influence. "A young Thespian's" experiences of Professor Anderson are very entertaining, and it must be new to a great many that the Wizard of the North had Dr. Silvester's great trick at his finger ends twenty years ago. As yet I have not witnessed the "Doctor's" performance, having reserved that pleasure for this evening; but if "The Beautiful Entranced Lady" (vide advertisements and small bills) is the same trick performed by the "Fakir of Oolt" at the Oxford Music Hall, London, a few years ago, I know it well in every detail, as I was not only assisted by the Fakir at the Oxford, but had the pleasure of seeing the apparent mystery thoroughly explained at the Polytechnic. All tricks of legerdemain are accomplished with a cabalistic style of business, either by mutterings in some unknown tongue, or mysterious bodily movements, common to all *Doctors of Magic (hem)*, so I presume that the "mesmerism influence" alluded to in your criticism, and objected to by my juvenile namesake, was simply the necessary details of stage business. Of course it is, as your correspondent not inaptly suggests by the use of the term "fiddlestick," humbug pure and simple; yet in a certain sense it is quite justifiable, as all these tricks would never pass with an audience unless backed up with the embellishments of speech and action already referred to. Such being the case, your description of the "popping up" of the young lady was intelligible enough; and you would have shown a wise discretion had you simply published "A Young Thespian's" communication without the inevitable foot-note. When your correspondent speaks of mesmerism and the supernatural as one and the same thing, he displays an amount of ignorance on a popular theme, which is truly lamentable; and when you back up his erroneous impressions with the editorial note quoted above one is unable to resist the conviction that your scientific knowledge on this subject is as superficial as your language is commonplace and obscure.

I venture to assert that there is not one educated, or fairly intelligent person in Hongkong who does not believe in the science which Mesmer immortalised, and which now bears his name. However much learned Societies may have disagreed in the results of their enquiries on animal magnetism or mesmerism, which it is hardly our province at the present time to investigate, the doctrine itself, although closely identified with the vexed subject of clairvoyance, has in these later days of widespread intelligence, never been disputed. The presence of electricity or magnetism in the human frame and the possibility of conveying the subtle essence from one body to another, are facts well understood by the majority of human kind. Medical science has in some countries found a ready aid from mesmerism in operations of the most difficult and intricate character.

Followers of the great Mesmer have never claimed for their science any attributes at all approaching the supernatural. To mesmerise a person is just as simple, as to deaden the sense with chloroform or laughing gas. It would require a long stretch of imagination to believe that anybody with a single grain of common sense, could be so stupid as to attribute any portion of the so-called wizard's tricks to what your correspondent and yourself slightly term "mesmerism influence."

Time will not permit me to expatiate further on the subject at present, nor is it necessary to do so, as the egregious blunders I have pointed out could hardly have escaped the notice of the intelligent public.

One of these days I may have an opportunity of practically demonstrating to you the wonders of mesmerism and electro-biology.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

AN OLD THESPIAN.

Don't cry for spilt milk, young man, but pick up your pen and milking stool and go for the next row, my fellow Britons.

## Miscellaneous.

DAVID: "I think, Sandy, we might just as well shut the door."

"Oh, yes, I think we should; but you paid the last, and I have no money." "Then, Sandy, I think you have had plenty."

**MAN'S HAPPINESS.**—It takes little to dam the current of man's happiness in this world. Many a bridegroom, whose future was all roseate with happy promise, has been suddenly hurled into the valley of woe by a protruding peg in the sole of one of his wedding boots.

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Hongkong, August 3, 1878.  
BAROMETER—9 A.M., 29.994  
Do. 1 P.M., 29.950  
Do. 4 P.M., 29.950  
THERMOMETER—9 A.M., 86  
Do. 1 P.M., 82  
Do. 4 P.M., 82  
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M., 80  
Do. Do. 1 P.M., 79  
Do. Do. 4 P.M., 79  
Do. Maximum, 86  
Do. Minimum over night, 80

## Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:

## VESSELS TO ARRIVE

When left.	Name.	From.
Dec. 3.	Elizabeth Shields,	Hamburg
Dec. 1.	Giangaber,	Florence
25, G. B. S.	Liverpool	
Jan. 27.	Earl of Devon,	Antwerp
Mar. 9.	Mabel Clark,	Liverpool
28, Oracles,	Liverpool	
29, Manila II.,	Cuxhaven	
30, Bristolian (s.),	Antwerp	
Apr. 6.	Maritime Union,	Cardiff
11, Hamburg,	Hamburg	
15, Lizzie Parry,	Antwerp	
15, Dartmouth,	London	
16, Invincible,	Penarth	
22, India,	Cardiff	
23, Rosie Welt,	Liverpool	
May 1.	Ada Melmore,	London
2, Melrose,	Liverpool	
2, Cosmo,	Penarth	
5, Imperatrice Elisabeth,	Liverpool	
5, Strathern,	Cardiff	
6, Southsea,	Cardiff	
9, Napier,	Penarth	
12, Don Quixote,	Cardiff	
14, Verona,	Penarth	
17, Lord Macaulay,	Hamburg	
18, Niagara,	Cuxhaven	
22, Merionethshire (s.),	London	
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14, Emily Chaplin,	Cardiff	

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## CANTON PLANTS.—PAPER No. 5.

Our present paper requires more than ordinary explanation. To revert to Paper 1, Plant No. 1, we must again correct an error. *Agapanthus umbellatus*, Linn. should be *Agapanthus umbellatus*, Herit. In the present paper there are one or two plants to which it seems almost impossible to give trustworthy Cantonese names. At least fifty natives have been invited to name Nos. 154 and 184, and the names here given represent in each instance simply a majority selected from numerous minorities. With regard to Nos. 187 and 188 it appears that there is a tendency to describe a great many species of *Cyperus* by names of a "three-cornered" signification. The Chinese evidently pay little attention to these plants. No. 180 may be compared with No. 90 in Paper 2; perhaps the present name is the preferable; though botanists have not given a separate name to the species which comes from Kwei Lam, as might be thought from that species being here described by a name different from No. 90. Both kinds carry the same botanical name. No. 181 may be compared with No. 85 in Paper 2; all three names are in common use. No. 193 was only a few years ago introduced from Hongkong, yet the name here given is very general, the plant being universally mistaken for a perissanthemum. There are several specimens in Hongkong; perhaps some one in the Colony will inform the Editor what they are called by the Chinese gardeners. No. 195 may be compared with No. 58, the Chinese using one name for two plants, as is frequently the case. Nos. 157, 174, 175, and 194 carry tone-marks for the reasons given in Paper 3. No. 190 is a much older name than No. 191 which was given by Benth.

It has been suggested by a friend that a translation of the Chinese name should be appended to each plant for the future, and by others that the uses to which each plant is put by the Chinese should be shortly indicated. The translations are in many cases very interesting; in some instances literally the same as in English or Latin. The uses, too, are often very droll; No. 110, for example, only being used "to dangle before the eyes of fighting orioles in order to make them walk from one place to the other!" However the goose with the golden eggs must not be killed. At present we simply give as correct a list as we can. At some future time we may test the patience of our readers by entering into why and wherefore.

No.	VULGAR NAME.	BOTANICAL NAME.	CANTONESE NAME.	SOUND.
151		<i>Aglaia odorata</i> , Linn.	米仔蘭	Mai tsai lan
152	Celery	<i>Apium graveolens</i> , Linn.	旱芹	Hon k'an ts'oi
153		<i>Asclepias curassavica</i> , Linn.	[黃]金鳳	(Wong) kam fung
154	Dhal	<i>Cajanus indicus</i> , Spr.	豬屎荳 或 麵荳	Chu shi tau or min tau
155	China Aster	<i>Callistophis chinensis</i> , Nees.	蘇荳	Só kuk
156	Cocoa-nut	<i>Coccoloba</i> , Linn.	椰子	Yo tsz
157		<i>Cyperus globosus</i> , All.	三合草	Sám hop, ts'ò
158		<i>Cyperus polystachys</i> , Roth.	三方草 或 水草[花]	Sám fong ts'ò or shui ts'ò (fl)
159		<i>Erigeron linifolius</i> , Willd.	野塘蒿	Yé t'ung hó
160	Water-chestnuts, small	<i>Eleocharis tuberosa</i> , Roem. & Sch.	桂林馬蹄	Kwai lam má t'ai
161		<i>Emilia sonchifolia</i> , DC.	一點紅	Yat tim hung
162	Mangosteen	<i>Garcinia mangostana</i> , Linn.	山竹菓	Shán chuk kwó
163	Globe amaranth	<i>Gomphrena globosa</i> , Linn.	百日紅 [red]	Pák yat hung
164	Globe amaranth	Do.	百日白 [white]	Pák yat pák
165	Cotton	<i>Gossypium herbaceum</i> , Linn.	棉花	Mín fú
166		<i>Helicteres angustifolia</i> , Linn.	山芝麻	Shán chí má
167	Hydrangea	<i>Hydrangea hortensis</i> , Linn.	[洋]繡毬	(Yéung) sau k'au
168		<i>Ipomoea quamoclit</i> , Linn.	錦屏風	Kám ping fung
169		<i>Ixora stricta</i> , Roxb.	山丹	Shán tán
170	Rush	<i>Juncus effusus</i> , Linn.	燈心草	Tang sam ts'ò
171	Crape Myrtle	<i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> , Linn.	[紅]白紫薇花	(Hung or pák) tsz mí fl
172		<i>Liquidambar formosana</i> , Hance	楓	Fung
173	Fan-palm	<i>Livistona chinensis</i> , R. Br.	葵	K'wai
174		<i>Melastoma candidum</i> , Don.	豬姆拈	Chú má nim
175		<i>Melastoma repens</i> , Desr.	地拈	Tí nim
176	Pride of India	<i>Melia azadirachta</i> , Linn.	苦楝子 或 森木	Fé lin tsz or sham muk
177	Oleander	<i>Nerium odoratum</i> , Sol.	苦楝子 或 森木	Káp chuk ts'ò
178		<i>Paliurus aubletii</i> , Roem. & Sch.	雞眼勞 或 刺米勞	Kai ngau lak or ts'ik mai lak
179	Ginseng	<i>Panax ginseng</i> , Wall.	人蔘	Yan sham
180	Pear	<i>Pyrus communis</i> , Linn.	沙梨	Shá lí
181	Plantain	<i>Plantago major</i> , Linn.	車前草 或 錢貫草	Ch'è ts'in ts'ò or ts'in kuan ts'ò
182		<i>Polygonum perfoliatum</i> , Linn.	老虎勞	Ló fu lak
183		<i>Pouroulia indica</i> , Gaud.	藤水葛	Mó shui kot
184	Plum	<i>Prunus domestica</i> , Linn.	[紅]黃李	Hung or wong lí
185		<i>Salicaria adiantifolia</i> , Sm.	白菓 或 銀杏	Pák kwó or ngan hang
186	Chinese Elder	<i>Sambucus chinensis</i> , Lindl.	白飯子	Ts'at ts'at
187		<i>Scoriminea obovata</i> , Mull.-Arg.	狗尾草	Pák fán (tsz)
188		<i>Setaria glauca</i> , Beauv.	雀 或 紅粟	Kau mí ts'ò
189		<i>Setaria italica</i> , Beauv.	[雀] 或 紅粟	(Tséuk or hung) suk
190		<i>Solanum biflorum</i> , Lour.	打破碗	Tá p'ò on
191		<i>Solanum leucanthemum</i> , Roxb.		
192	Egg plant	<i>Solanum ovigerum</i> , Dun.	紅 或 白荷包茄	(Hung or pák hó) ts'ò
193		<i>Solanum Wrightii</i> , Benth.	水柿	Shui ts'è
194	Sow-thistle	<i>Sonchus oleratus</i> , Lam.	花胆 或 鴉菜	Fú ts'í ts'au or ngo ts'oi
195		<i>Sophora japonica</i> , Linn.	槐花	Wai fā
196	Barbados Millet	<i>Sorghum vulgare</i> , Pers.	高粱穀	Kó léung kuk
197		<i>Sporobolus indicus</i> , R. Br.	藎草	Kuk ts'ò
198	Vervain	<i>Verbena officinalis</i> , Linn.	馬鞭草	Má pín ts'ò
199		<i>Vinca rosea</i> , Linn.	長春	Ch'áng ch'un
200		<i>Zingiber zerumbet</i> , Rose.	[黃]薑花	(Wong) kwáng fl



(By Webster) —

barred out of sight, when he entered, and made a formal but most confused complaint of having been robbed something more than a week previously—where of by whom he knew not—and afterwards deceived, bamboozled, and led astray in his pursuit of the robbers, by a person whom he now suspected to be a confederate with them. Even of this latter personage he could afford no tangible information; and the inspector, having quietly listened to his statement—intended, doubtless, as a mystification—told him the police should make

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Strathoven* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats, delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo, will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 p.m., on Thursday, 1st Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 10th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVIS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. au4

## DANISH STEAMER NORDEN.

Boysen, Master, FROM HAMBURG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Underigned, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 6th August next will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless written notice to the contrary is given before Tomorrow, the 30th Instant, at 10 a.m.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by Wm. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 29, 1878. au5

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE BRITISH SHIP BEATIE.

RIGGOLD, FROM ANTWERP.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of this Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 29, 1878. au5

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Ararat* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 2, 1878. au5

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Moran* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 2, 1878. au5

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the American Bark "BENEFICENT" from New York, are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 2, 1878. au5

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Hongkong, July 27, 1878.

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate that he has RETURNED, and is now ready to receive Patients at No. 7, ARNHEIM ROAD.

Hongkong, July 4, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "YESSO," Capt. S. Amos, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 6th Instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LADRAK & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 3, 1878. au5

## FOR SAMARANG.

The Steamship "STAD AMSTERDAM," Capt. J. H. van der Meer, will be despatched as above on or about the 7th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 3, 1878. au5

## To-day's Advertisements.

## FOR MANILA.

The Steamship "LEYTE," Capt. R. Euteria, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 6th Instant, at 2 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 3, 1878. au5

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

ANNE LORWAY, British barque, Captain B. Galea.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

KATE TATHAM, British barque, Captain Potkethly.—Birley & Co.

JEANE PIERRE, French bark, Captain Legasse.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

ATHENE, British barque, Captain Alex. Findlay.—Captain.

MARY BLAIR, British barque, Captain James Riddle.—O. & O. S. Co.

LOTTIE MOORE, American barque, Capt. C. S. Hudson.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FONTENAY, British ship, Capt. G. B. Taylor.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

RAJANATTANURAH, British str., Capt. G. T. Hopkins.—Yuen Fat Hong.

BERTIE BIGLOW, British ship, Captain Ferguson.—Meyer & Co.

CORRIENTES, British barque, Captain J. Jones.—Olyphant & Co.

HAWTHORN, British barque, Captain C. Mead.—Wieler & Co.

ARADIA, British ship, Captain B. A. J. Kleinforth.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Aug. 2, *Arabia*, British ship, 1183, R. A. J. Kleinforth, Cardiff March 23, Coal.

P. & O. S. N. Co.

Aug. 3, *H. Printenberg*, German barque, 553, A. Schoenemann, Hamburg March 16, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Aug. 3, *Charité*, French barque, 256, F. Hervé, Tournon July 28, Sugar.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

Aug. 3, *Tay Watt*, Siamese barque, 1000, d'Argence, Tournon July 28, Sugar.—CHINESE.

Aug. 3, *Florence Nightingale*, British barque, 464, A. McIntyre, Newchwang July 1, Beans.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Aug. 3, *Celestial*, British steamer, 631, White, Singapore July 25, General.—MAN FOK FING.

Aug. 3, *Olympia*, German steamer, 777, F. Nagel, Swatow Aug. 2, General.—KWOK ACHONG.

Aug. 3, *Ferret*, British steamer, 700, T. Mackie, Singapore July 27, General.—MAN HIN CHAN.

Aug. 3, *Nestor*, British steamer, 1414, S. W. Freeman, Liverpool June 12, via ports of call, and Singapore July 27, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Aug. 3, *Carl*, German brig, 215, H. Thomson, Newchwang June 20, Beans.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Aug. 3, *Marcus Polo*, German barque, 368, H. G. Brechtoldt, Newchwang June 17, Beans.—WILDER & Co.

Aug. 3, *Hector*, British steamer, 2891, Butler, Shanghai July 27, and FOOCHOW Aug. 1, Tea and General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

## DEPARTURES.

Aug. 3, *Teodora*, for Manila.

3, *Philippine*, for Chiofo.

3, *Julie*, for Quinhon.

3, *Jean Pierre*, for Honolulu.

3, *Mary Blair*, for FOOCHOW.

3, *Anadyr*, for Marseilles, &c.

3, *Madagascar*, for Bangkok.

## CLEARED.

*Fair Leader*, for Yokohama.

*Albay*, for Hoihow.

*Hopeful*, for FOOCHOW.

*Arctia*, for Callao.

*Ferret*, for Ningpo.

*Thales*, for Saigon.

*Strathoven*, for Shanghai.

*Nestor*, for Shanghai.

*Argentine*, for FOOCHOW.

*Yesso*, for Coast Ports.

*Charlton*, for Port Darwin, &c.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per *Hector*, from Shanghai via FOOCHOW, Mr. Robinson, and 35 Chinese.

Per *Charité*, from Tournon, 39 Chinese.

Per *Tay Watt*, from Singapore, 38 Chinese.

Per *Celestial*, from Singapore, 108 Chinese.

Per *Olympia*, from Swatow, 73 Chinese.

Per *Ferret*, from Singapore, 60 Chinese deck for Swatow and Amoy.

Per *Nestor*, from Swatow, 42 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Philippine*, for Chiofo, 20 Chinese.

Per *Jean Pierre*, for Honolulu, 20 Chinese.

Per *Madagascar*, for Bangkok, 95 Chinese.

## TO DEPART.

Per *Ferret*, for Ningpo, 61 Chinese.

Per *Thales*, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.

Per *Strathoven*, for Shanghai, 1 Euro. pass.

Per *Yesso*, for Coast Ports, 2 Europeans, and 150 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British ship *Arabia* reports: From Sunda Straits to Hongkong we found nothing but calm and light variable airs and no S.W. monsoon. Vessels spoken: May 6th, the *Columbus* from London to New Zealand, 43 days out, in lat. 18° S, long. 80° 22' W.; 16th, *Robert Henderson* from London to Hongkong, 69 days out, in lat. 25° 23' S, long. 23° 20' W.; July 8th, *Lady Fletcher* from New York to Hongkong, 84 days out, in Sunda Strait; 12th, *Prince of Wales* from Singapore to North Australia, 8 days out, in lat. 0° 53' N, long. 106° 52' E.

The German barque *H. Printenberg* reports: Rough weather first part of the passage, latter part calm.

The British barque *Florence Nightingale* reports: First part light winds and variable, from Shanghai to Southward of Shanghai strong S.W. winds, latter part of passage light southerly winds.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer *Olympia* reports: Southward S.W. winds and light breezes with rain throughout.

The British steamer *Ferret* reports: Light variable winds and cloudy with light passing showers occasionally throughout the passage.

The German brig *Carl* reports: Strong S.S.W. and S.W. to Formosa Channel, afterwards light winds and calm to port.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close—

For CALLAO.—Per barque *Frederick*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 4th inst.

For NINGPO.—Per *Ferret*, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the 4th inst.

For SWATOW.—Per *Olympia*, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday, the 6th inst.

For SWATOW AND AMOY.—Per *Celestial*, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday, the 6th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—Per *Yesso*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 6th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For FOOCHOW.—Per *Argentine*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 6th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SHANGHAI.—Per *Nestor*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 6th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SUEZ, AND LONDON.—Per *Hector*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 6th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Per *Parsee*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 6th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For MANILA.—Per *Paraguay*, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 6th inst.

For HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG, (with Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi).—Per *Conquest*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 6th inst.

For BANGKOK.—Per *Rajanattamurah*, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 6th inst.

For MANILA.—Per *Leyte*, at 8.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 6th inst.

## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Oceanic* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 6th August, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters closes.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, July 28, 1878. au5

## MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *Surat* will be despatched with Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 10th August.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, 9th August.—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m. Post-Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 10th August.—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m. Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till 11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, July 29, 1878. au10

## MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.

The Australian Contract Packet *Normanby*, will be despatched from Hongkong on TUESDAY, the 13th Instant, with Mails for Singapore, Somerset, Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tasmania, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

Correspondence cannot be Registered after 11.15 a.m.

The Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m. Supplementary mail received on board with late fee of 18 cents till time of departure.

Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Gallie.

Hongkong, August 2, 1878. au13

## MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Pello* will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 17th inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, 16th Instant.—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 17th Instant.—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until 11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, August 3, 1878. au17

## CARGOES.

Per S. S. *Sea Gull* from Canton Waters to London, sailed 1st August, 1878: 89,629 lbs. Congou, 52,500 lbs. Scented Caper, and 2,184 lbs. Sc. Or. Pekoe.—Total 144,313 lbs. Tea.

Per S. S. *Perusia*, from Whampoa to Callao, 11,534 bags Rice, 37 pkgs. Silk Piece Goods, 24 pkgs. Opium, 155 rolls Matting, 135 pkgs. Tea, 113 pkgs. Rattan and Bamboo Ware, and 10,255 pkgs. Sundries (not specified).

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—The Right Reverend Bishop Burdon; The Rev. E. Davis, Acting Colonial Chaplain. Morning Service 11, Evening 5. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month.

Military Service.—Rev. J. Henderson, acting Military Chaplain. At 8 a.m. Morning Prayer, &c. Holy Communion on the third Sunday in the month.

UNION CHURCH.—Morning Service, at 11 a.m.; Afternoon, 6 p.m.; Divine Service in Chinese, 2-3 p.m. every Sunday, with communion on first Sunday of every month, Rev. Dr. Eitel.

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S ORCHARD.—Rev. J. Henderson. Service at 6 p.m., every Sunday. All seats free. Morning Prayer and Communion on the first Sunday in each month at 11 a.m.

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev. A. B. Hutchinson, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer—Liturgy, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3 p.m. Refreshing, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.

BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE.—Service in the German language, by Rev. W. Louis, every Sunday, at half-past ten a.m., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point.

## MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

## Shipping.

Noon.—Yesso leaves for Coast Ports.

3 p.m.—Paraguay leaves for Manila. Goods per Norden undelivered after this date subject to rent.

## Miscellaneous.

Bank Holiday.

## General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, August 6:—

2 p.m.—Leyte leaves for Manila.



## POSTAL RATES.

Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised June 7th, 1878.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted, except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

N.R. means No Registration.

## Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, the United States, Canada, Brazil, India (including Ceylon, the Straits, and Aden), Japan, Egypt, Labuan, Mauritius, Seychelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Bermuda, with all French, Danish, Netherlands, Portuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are: the Australasian Group, Africa (except French, &c., Colonies), Newfoundland and Central America.

## Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—  
Letters, 12 cents per ½ oz.  
Registration, 8 cents.  
Newspapers, 2 cents each.  
Books and Patterns, 4 cents per 2 oz.

Exceptional rates, to the United Kingdom and Union Countries served through the United Kingdom via Brindisi only:—  
Letters, 16 cents per ½ oz.  
Registration, 8 cents.  
Newspapers, 4 cents each.  
Books and Patterns, 6 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

## Postage to Non-Union Countries.

W. Africa, Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verde Islands:—

	Via San Francisco	Via Hongkong	Via Brindisi
Letters,	22	26	26
Registration,	8	12	12
Newspapers,	4	4	6
Books & Patterns,	8	10	10

Aspinwall (N.R.), Bahamas, Guatemala (N.R.), Hayti (N.R.), Mexico (N.R.), Panama (N.R.), Salvador (N.R.), and Venezuela (N.R.):—

	Letters,	Registration,	Newspapers,	Books & Patterns,
	16	34	38	
	None	12	12	
	4	4	6	
	8	8	10	

Bolivia, Chili, Ecuador, and Peru:—  
Letters, 30  
Registration, 46  
Newspapers, 6  
Books & Patterns, 10  
Registration, 12  
None

Hawaiian Kingdom (N.R.), Newfoundland:—

	Letters,	Registration,	Newspapers,	Books & Patterns,
	16	16	20	
	12	12	12	
	4	4	6	
	8	8	10	

W. India, (except as above) Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, and Nicaragua:—

	Letters,	Registration,	Newspapers,	Books & Patterns,
	34	38		
	4	6		
	8	10		

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Natal, Cape, St. Helena, Ascension.

Letters, by Contract Packet 24, by Private Ship 12, Registration, 12, Newspapers, 2, Books and Patterns, 4.

A small extra charge is made on delivery.

Correspondence for the West Indies (except those belonging to the Postal Union, the Bahamas, and Hayti), for Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent via San Francisco.

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Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

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There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as

must be printed on a sheet or sheets unattached.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unattached; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped wrapper.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, water, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inspected.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplementary matter, is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, whether such binding, &c., be loose or attached; as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, makers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., and in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or usually appertains thereto; but the binding, rollers, &c., must not be sent as a separate packet.

Circulars, i.e., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, may also be sent by book post.

But a book-packet may not contain any letter, or communication of the nature of a letter (whether separate or otherwise), unless it be a circular-letter or be wholly printed; nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection. If this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, water, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string; Postmasters being authorised to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When, owing to a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries is restricted to bona fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. Samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, but such articles only, may be posted enclosed in boxes, or bags of linen or other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened, or, in the case of seeds, &c., in bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as

the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as such for the Post, viz: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, adules of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confederations of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples. Indigo cannot be sent to any place.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters—except those to and through Australia—from 11.10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

## Miscellaneous Notices.

## Local Delivery.

1.—All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business. (See Postal Guide, par. 103.)

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office unattached, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

## Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the British Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Pak-hoi, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than 5 lbs. The postage will be 20 cents per lb., which will include Registration. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTER, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.); Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyes, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the senders against any but a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

## Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails should be delivered free there.

Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Berne provides that "Neither the senders nor the addressees of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching Office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

The above does not apply in any to loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.

Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Any Foreign stamps on loose correspondence are obliterated in this Office.

## Indian Correspondence.

Unpaid Letters are not received for the Indian Mail Packets.

The Pre-payment of correspondence for the Straits, India, Ceylon, and Aden is compulsory by whatever opportunity it is forwarded.

Registration to Bangkok.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul General for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 5 cents.

## Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters.

Private Letters to the Army or Navy, not commissioned Officers, Army Schoolmasters (not superintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom via Southampton by British Packet, for one penny; or via Brindisi by British Packet for three pence. Hongkong stamps will prepare this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.

Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—

1. Not to exceed half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.

2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

3. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

\* But not Warrant Officers, viz., Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatswain, or Carpenter.

## Communication with Batavia.

The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from Europe.

The French Packets for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities:—  
In the S.W. Monsoon.  
The English Mail.  
The French Mail.  
In the N.E. Monsoon.

A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail.  
The French Mail.

The Post Office is not, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-sending, or mis-delivery of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers; and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times; that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag; and that, whenever the bag has in the course of its transmission to be transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no other way is official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon.

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorised to demand change; and when money is paid at a Post Office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded.

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West India, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters so sealed but to the other letters in the mail, from the melting of the wax and adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafer or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Nevertheless large sums of money or other articles of great value should not be sent through the post, even if the packet be registered; as the machinery of the Department is not arranged with a view to such transmission.

By law, the Post Office is not responsible for the safe delivery of registered packets; though any officer who may neglect his duty on this point will be called to strict account. Sent in unregistered letters, valuable articles are exposed to risk, and offer a temptation which ought not to be created; and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters, therefore, which contain coin, and all inland letters which contain watches or jewellery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as registered, and charged on delivery with a double registration fee of eightpence in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the Mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch. Even if the letter do not contain any article of intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—  
Books and Papers—to British Office, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs.

## Patterns—to British Office, 5 lbs. if with intrinsic value, to the Continent, &amp;c., 2 oz.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dyes, &c., or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by sea.

No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS.—Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bona fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two; as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps purchased.

Letters containing Stamps should be Registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

During the N.E. Monsoon, the Charterers and Agents of sailing ships for Manila, Saigon, and Bangkok are requested to give notice to the Post Office of the departures of such ships.

No correspondence will be forwarded by sailing vessel but such as is specially so directed.

The Stamp Office being now provided with a 3-cent die, Books of Receipts, Rent Collectors' Books, &c., can be stamped beforehand in the same manner as Cheque Books. Loose receipt forms can also be stamped if required.

## Money Order Regulations.

1.—Money Orders on the United Kingdom and the Straits Settlements are issued at Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama, Shanghai and Yokohama also issue on Hongkong and vice versa.

2.—Small sums may be remitted between the other Ports by means of Postage Stamps.

3.—Many Money Orders are supplied to residents at the smaller Ports in this way. An application for an order is filled up, and is enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied with the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departure of the mails.

4.—No order must exceed £10, or include any fraction of a penny. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows:—

Orders on the United Kingdom.	Up to £25.....	18 cents.
" 25.....	36 "	
" 50.....	54 "	
" 100.....	72 "	

Local Money Orders (including Straits Settlements).

Up to \$25.....	15 cents.
" 50..... <td>30 "</td>	30 "

5.—Lists of Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom may be consulted at Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama.

6.—Names must be given in full (except when there is more than one Christian name), but the name of the Payee need not be given if the order be crossed (as cheques are crossed). It can then be paid only through a Bank, and may afterwards be specially crossed to any Bank.

7.—No order can be paid till the Payee has signed it in the proper place. An order can be transferred to another office on payment of an additional commission. In case of loss of an order, necessity for stopping payment, or the like, application should be made to the nearest Money Order Office for instructions.

8.—If the order be not presented within six months an additional commission will be charged; if not within twelve months, the money will be forfeited. When the order is once paid no further claim can be entertained.

9.—No order can be paid until the advice relative to it has been received.

\* Made out on a printed form which is supplied gratis.

\* Local Orders on Shanghai are drawn at 2 per cent, premium in all cases. A fixed rate for drawing on the United Kingdom is in force at Shanghai.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE.

## Unclaimed Correspondence.

August 2, 1878.

Letts. Paps.	Letts. Paps.
Ahiso, General	John, Wong Chuan
G. de	Johnson, Tom
Abdullah	Jonah, F. M.
Chorodhuan	Juster, Alejandro
Allen, Samuel	Kazori, K. S.
Alvares, P. S.	Keaton, M.
Aly Myan	Lee Shing & Co.
Antonia, Monsr	Lie Koo Koo
Mattel	Lopez, Sam M.G.
Arguise, d. Mon	Low Thin Yean



## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusives of late arrivals and departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*, near the Kowloon shore *k*, and those in the body of the Shipping midway between each shore are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
  2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
  3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
  4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

- Section.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
  6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
  7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
  8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Flag.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>							
Adria	5	Stewart	Brit.	781	July 16	R. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay
Albay	5	P. Ashton	Brit.	366	Aug. 2	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Holchow
Alverton	5	Darnell	Brit.	1086	July 23	Mayer & Co.	Marselles, &c.
Anadyr	5	Morau	Fch.	2561	July 31	Messageries Maritimes	Foochow
Argentino	5	Barnett	Brit.	915	April 22	Turner & Co.	Foochow
Arakoon Apar	5	Macaviah	Ger.	1392	Aug. 2	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.
Bellona	5	Abres	Ger.	789	July 31	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Saloon
Bombay	5	Macaviah	Ger.	789	July 31	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Saloon
Camboy	5	Macaviah	Ger.	789	July 31	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Saloon
Celestial	5	White	Brit.	95	Oct. 2	Kwok Acheong	
Charlton	5	Johnson	Brit.	631	Aug. 3	Man Fook Slog	
Conquest	5	Scott	Brit.	786	July 17	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Australian Ports
Fame	5	Stopani	Brit.	317	Aug. 1	Kwong Lee Yuen	Holchow & Halphong
Fernow	5	Stopani	Brit.	117		H.K. & W. P. Dock Co.	
Fitzpatrick	5	Humphries	Brit.	700	Aug. 3	Bun Hin & Co.	Ningpo
Hesperia	5	Paulsen	Ger.	697	April 18	Geo. Chong Hong	K'loon Dock
Karo	5	Colling	Brit.	1036	July 26	Slomson & Co.	K'loon Dock
Klenchow	5	Colling	Brit.	979	July 27	Mayer & Co.	
Leyte	5	Ritteria	Span.	331	July 30	Russell & Co.	Mod. a Ship
Lore	5	McCulloch	Brit.	1035	July 1	Melchers & Co.	Ab'deen Dock
Madagascar	5	Tim	Ger.	884	July 24	Slomson & Co.	Bangkok
Madras	5	Richardson	Brit.	1079	June 20	Hop Kee	S'pore and Penang
Mayenne	5	Yun Chua Yon	Anna.		June 20		S'pore, Calcutta, &c.
Moray	5	Butcher	Brit.	1427	Aug. 2	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai
Nestor	5	Freeman	Brit.	1414	Aug. 3	Butterfield & Swire	Nagasaki, &c.
Norden	5	Boysen	Brit.	778	July 28	Wm. Pustau & Co.	
Norna	5	Walker	Brit.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong	
Oceanic	5	McDonald	Brit.	8700	July 20	O. & O. S. S. Co.	
Olympia	5	Ngil	Ger.	777	Aug. 2	Kwok Acheong	
Paragua	5	Ngil	Span.	777	Aug. 2	Kwok Acheong	
Faroe	5	Sergent	Brit.	1014	July 22	Remedios & Co.	Manila
Rajasthanbar	5	Hickins	Brit.	934	July 24	Kwong Wing Shun	S'pore and Penang
Sea Gull	5	Roberts	Amer.	48	July 16	W. H. Ray	Bangkok
Strathleven	5	Pearson	Brit.	1688	July 31	Davis & Co.	Shanghai
Tanaka	5	Marcello	Fch.	1735	July 31	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama
Thales	5	Pocock	Brit.	878	July 31	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Saloon
Yangtze	5	Schultz	Brit.	782	June 28	Slomson & Co.	Shanghai
Yesso	5	S. Ashton	Brit.	560	July 31	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports
Zamboanga	5	Aranguren	Span.	651	July 29	Landstein & Co.	Halphong
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>							
Albert Russell	7	Carver	Amer.	762	July 15	Russell & Co.	
Alice D. Cooper	7	Humphrey	Amer.	1363	July 24	Captain	
Alva	3	Souza	Port.	631	July 16	Brandao & Co.	
Annie Lowry	4	Gales	Brit.	762	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London
Anton Gunther	2	Kuhn	Ger.	440	July 14	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	Callao
Arabis	1	Klenfoth	Brit.	1188	Aug. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Cleared
Areola	4	Fenery	Brit.	947	April 24	Carlowitz & Co.	
Athons	4	Findlay	Brit.	605	July 15	Horneo Company, Limited	Sourabaya
B. von Middelburg	4	Blaker	Dutch	628	June 17	Slomson & Co.	
Beethoven	4	Haje	Ger.	340	Aug. 1	Melchers & Co.	
Benedictor	1	Ferguson	Amer.	896	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	
Bertie Bigelow	1	Ferguson	Brit.	1142	July 29	Mayer & Co.	
Bua Cano	2	Largo	Span.	888	July 26	Yun Fat Hong	
Bua Pan	2	Miller	Span.	674	July 29	Kin-ye-long	
C. L. Pearson	3	Swain	Amer.	684	June 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York
Channel Queen	4	Leachur	Brit.	609	June 11	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	
Charlie	2	Herr	Fch.	256	Aug. 3	Carlowitz & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney
Charlotte Andrews	3	Phico	Brit.	356	June 19	Rozario & Co.	
Charon Wattana	2	Ulrich	Span.	666	July 22	Chinase	
Christian	4	Kosow	Ger.	250	Aug. 1	Wieler & Co.	
Coeran	8	Cromwell	Amer.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	
Corrientes	7	Jones	Brit.	698	Aug. 1	Olyphant & Co.	
Creswell	3	White	Brit.	644	July 22	Wieler & Co.	Hamburg
Dirigo	5	Staples	Amer.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Elvicio	5	Fondini	Ital.	648	Aug. 2	Order	Yokohama
Fair Leader	1	Morris	Brit.	497	June 18	Russell & Co.	
Florence Nightingale	4	McIntyre	Brit.	464	Aug. 3	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	
Fontenay	8	Taylor	Brit.	635	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Franklin	7	Bruneau	Fch.	553	Aug. 2	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Frederick	2	Kernode	Brit.	909	May 30	Norton & Co.	Callao
Friedrich	4	Dau	Ger.	694	May 29	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Newchwang
Glamorganshire	3	McEachern	Brit.	456	Aug. 3	Kin-ye-long	
Goliath	1	Deutzau	Span.	543	July 11	Chinase	
H. Printenberg	3	Schoenemann	Ger.	553	Aug. 3	Melchers & Co.	
Hawthorn	4	Mead	Brit.	206	Aug. 1	Wieler & Co.	
Highlander	1	Hutchinson	Amer.	1352	June 19	Captain	
Hiram Emery	7	Wyman	Amer.	799	July 12	Russell & Co.	
Hopeful	1	Doncaster	Brit.	216	July 14	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Foochow
Jean Pierre	4	Legasse	Fch.	607	June 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Honolulu
Jessie Jamieson	8	West	Brit.	604	July 29	Douglas Laprak & Co.	San Francisco
Josephus	8	Rogers	Amer.	1470	July 15	Russell & Co.	Quinon
Julie	2	Launay	Fch.	604	July 5	Carlowitz & Co.	
Kate Tatham	4	Pike	Brit.	275	July 4	Adams, Bell & Co.	London
Kenton	8	Colvin	Brit.	667	June 3	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Landeser	7	Knowles	Amer.	1418	July 23	Douglas Laprak & Co.	
Lodre	2	Jones	Brit.	880	June 19	Mayer & Co.	
Lottie Moore	8	Hudson	Amer.	680	July 22	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	
Madeline	5	Paton	Fch.	416	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Marquis of Argyll	5	McKoon	Brit.	600	June 26	Rozario & Co.	
Maria Louise	4	Gubson	Fch.	684	July 19	Carlowitz & Co.	
Mary Blair	1	Riddle	Brit.	828	July 15	O. & O. S. S. Co.	
McNair	7	Taylor	Brit.	1308	July 22	Butterfield & Swire	
Mercur	7	Borgwardt	Ger.	489	July 11	Wm. Pustau & Co.	
Moneta	7	Bisset	Brit.	621	Aug. 10	O. & O. S. S. Co.	
Morning Star	1	Michaelson	Span.	670	July 30	Chinase	
Moss Glen	4	Carson	Brit.	549	May 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London
Oscar	3	Windhorst	Ger.	735	July 5	Melchers & Co.	Callao
Penrith	2	Worington	Brit.	549	July 23	Melchers & Co.	
Per Ardua	4	Taggart	Brit.	789	June 14	Mayer & Co.	
Phaton	3	Schoel	Brit.	676	July 12	Wieler & Co.	
Philip Fitzpatrick	3	Phelan	Amer.	582	July 14	Chinase	
Prince Amadeo	5	Linckill	Brit.	1602	July 30	Messageries Maritimes	
Prince Louis	7	Moore	Brit.	1329	July 29	Olyphant & Co.	
Queen of the Seas	1	Harrison	Brit.	442	July 12	Order	
Rifeman	4	Bishop	Brit.	718	June 3	Rozario & Co.	
S. Vaughan	1	Porter	Brit.	940	July 26	Order	
San Francisco	3	Lamcken	Ger.	264	July 18	Slomson & Co.	
Sarah Bell	7	McBurn	Brit.	813	July 16	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	
Silas Fish	2	Williams	Amer.	702	May 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York
Sir Charles Napier	3	Kreph	Brit.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco
Sir Harry Parker	2	Chapman	Brit.	816	May 22	Mayer & Co.	London
Sumatra	3	Cleugh	Amer.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.	
Summer M. Road	4	Dixon	Amer.	1117	July 15	Insurance Company	
Ta Hong Kong	1	Buthmann	Span.	836	July 6	Yun Fat Hong	
Tay West	1	d'Argence	Span.	1000	Aug. 8	Chinase	
The Tweed	7	Bice	Brit.	1745	July 18	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	
Thoon Kramom	2	Varath	Span.	474	July 29	Slomson & Co.	
Tokata	4	Harlison	Brit.	805	June 2	Rozario & Co.	
Typhura	4	Goldier	Brit.	948	June 19	Olyphant & Co.	Victoria (V.L)
William Phillips	2	Healy	Amer.	593	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	
<b>SWAMP</b>							
Chocoll	6	Kenneth	Brit.	284	July 20	Chinase	Chesoo
Rebecca	6	Thymann	Ger.	253	Aug. 3	Wm. Pustau & Co.	
St. Idano	6	Durand	Fch.	380	July 24	Carlowitz & Co.	Tientsin
Tartar	6	Kaemena	Ger.	258	July 30	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin
Vesta	6	Dicks	Ger.	262		Melchers & Co.	Tientsin
<b>CANTON</b>							
Amoy	6	Peters	Brit.	314	July 31	Slomson & Co.	Ningpo & Shanghai

## Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Hart	6	British	gun vessel	464	4	120	July 27	R. Evans
Meane	6	British	military hospital	2591				
Peng-chou-hai	6	Chinese	revenue cruiser	600	4	120	Aug. 2	C. H. Palmer
Ranger	6	U. S.	gun vessel	541	6	600	June 13	E. D. Manley
Victor Emanuel	6	British	Commander's flagship	2257	22			Commander's flagship

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, August 3rd, 1878.

At 11.30 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.	Chinese Names.	Price.
Bacon, English, lb.	來路烟猪肉	450 400
" " " " "	花旗烟猪肉	320 300
" " " " "	福州烟猪肉	200 180
Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy.	鹹牛肉	180 160
Beef Corned, catty	鹹牛肉	140 130
" " " " "	湯牛肉	160 140
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Bullocks' Brains, per set	牛腦	50 40
" " " " "	牛腦	320 300
" " " " "	牛腦	320 300
" " " " "	牛腦	550 500
" " " " "	牛腦	160 140
" " " " "	牛腦	160 140
" " " " "	牛腦	50 40
" " " " "	牛腦	90 70
" " " " "	牛腦	110 100
" " " " "	牛腦	100 90
" " " " "	牛腦	60 50
Calves' Head and Feet, set	牛頭脚	600 500
Hams, American, lb.	花旗火腿	350 300
" " " " "	金華火腿	200 180
" " " " "	來路火腿	400 350
Mutton Chop, "	羊腩	180 160
" " " " "	羊腩	180 160
" " " " "	羊腩	140 130
Pigs' Chitlings, catty	豬蹄	60 50
" " " " "	豬蹄	100 90
" " " " "	豬蹄	110 100
" " " " "	豬蹄	80 70
" " " " "	豬蹄	50 40
" " " " "	豬蹄	70 60
" " " " "	豬蹄	110 100
Pork, Chop, catty	豬蹄	160 150
" " " " "	豬蹄	160 150
" " " " "	豬蹄	160 150
" " " " "	豬蹄	120 110
Sheep's Head and Feet, set	羊頭脚	400 350
" " " " "	羊頭脚	50 40
" " " " "	羊頭脚	80 70
" " " " "	羊頭脚	140 130
Smoking Pigs, "	豬蹄	\$2 \$1.30
Sweet Bread, catty	豬蹄	140 130
Veal, "	豬蹄	160 140
<b>Poultry.</b>		
Oapons, catty	雞	250 180
Doves, each	鴿	110 100
Ducks, catty	鴨	120 110
Eggs, Hen, doz.	雞蛋	100 —
Fowls, catty	雞	250 180
Geese, "	鵝	140 130
Partridges, each	鶉	320 300
Pheasants, Canton, live, pair	省城山雞	\$1.75 1.50
Pigeons, each	白鴿	140 130
Rabbits, live, Canton	省城家兔	750 700
Turkeys, Oock, catty	火雞	400 300
" " " " "	火雞	300 280
<b>Fish.</b>		
Bombay Ducks, new per hundred	鴨	200 180
Bream, catty	魚	100 90
Catfish, "	魚	60 50
Codfish, Salt, "	魚	160 —
Crabs, "	蟹	140 60
Cuttle Fish, "	魚	90 80
Dace, "	魚	80 70
Dog Fish, "	魚	60 50
Kela, Congor, "	魚	60 50
" " " " "	魚	120 110
" " " " "	魚	180 —
File Fish, "	魚	80 70
Fresh Fish, Large, "	魚	120 100
" " " " "	魚	80 60
" " " " "	魚	130 120
Garoupe, "	魚	160 150
Gudgeon, "	魚	80 70
Gurnard, "	魚	70 60
Haddock, "	魚	70 60
Herring, fresh, "	魚	100 90